

Historic, Archive Document

Do not assume content reflects current scientific knowledge, policies, or practices.

62.27

2/19/63

MAR 2 1916
INDEXED.

RETURN TO POMOLOGY
SECTION OF NOMENCLATURE.

THE EDGEWOOD NURSERY CO.

L. D. PLATT & SON, PROP.



ESTABLISHED 1854

OELWEIN - IOWA

ONE MILE EAST

MEAD-MOYER PRINT, OELWEIN

DESCRIPTIVE CIRCULAR

In preparing this circular, we wish to introduce our nursery to the public and give descriptions of the stock we have for sale. We have been in business for the past fifty years and have hundreds of well satisfied customers in Clayton, Delaware, Fayette and Buchanan counties. Our success has been due to our methods of dealing and to the hardy quality of of home-grown nursery stock we have been selling.

We wish to thank our customers for the patronage in the past and ask for their future orders. Of those who are not acquainted with us, we ask for a fair trial order and we guarantee fair treatment. We would be pleased to have you call and visit our nursery, whether you wish to buy or not.

LOCATION and SOIL

The Edgewood Nursery has been located one mile east of Oelwein, "The Hub City," for fifteen years, in the heart of the richest farming section in North-east Iowa. Oelwein affords the best shipping facilities with its C. G. W. and R. I. lines and express companies. Thus we are able to ship to any part of our territory without danger to nursery stock from any long exposure or delay.

We grow our trees on a deep, rich, black soil underlaid with clay subsoil. The land slopes gently toward the north-east and is well drained by a system of tiling. We mulch our land heavily, adding about twenty loads per acre each year. We are equipped with a steel wind mill and storage tanks to furnish water for growing trees during the hot, dry months of summer. With these great advantages of soil and frequent cultivation, we are growing hardy, thrifty stock which is certain to bring results, when transplanted to your farm or home and given the proper care.

OUR STOCK

We aim to grow trees and small fruits that are adapted to northern Iowa, to supply the wants of town residents and farmers. With our modern methods we are able to furnish trees that are stocky, vigorous and well rooted. We put out only high grade stock, for our success depends upon the results our customers get with the trees they plant. When you improve your farm with a wind-break or a home orchard, be sure that you plant the best home-grown trees you can get, and you will realize large returns on your investment.

NURSERY INSPECTION

Our nursery is inspected yearly by the state entomologist, and all stock we send

out is free from infectious or dangerous diseases. Each shipment of stock is accompanied by a certificate of inspection.

VARIETY

Our list of varieties is not a large one, but we are prepared to furnish the varieties of long standing reputation in this district. Experiments with new varieties are expensive to the farmer, so we recommend only the best, hardy kinds for home planting. The following varieties can be grown successfully in this section.

Summer Apples—Dutchess, Tetofsky, Charlamoff.

Fall Apples—Wealthy, Fameuse, Patten's Greening, Longfield, Hass.

Winter Apples—North West Greening, Black Annette, Tolman, Sweet, Malinda, Walbridge.

Crab Apples—Whitney No. 20, Martha, Transcendent.

Plums—De Sota, Miner, Wolf, Cheney.

Cherries—Early Richmond, Montmorency, English Morilla, Wragg.

Grapes—Moore's Early, Concord, Worden, Niagra, Agawam.

Currents—Fay, White, Victoria, Cherry.

Gooseberries—Downing, Houghton.

Black Raspberries—Champlin's Early, Older, Kansas.

Red Raspberries—Columbian, Cuthbert, Crimson Beauty.

Blackberries—Snyder, Ancient Britton.

Strawberries—Dunlap, Warfield, Excelsior, Clide, Haverland, Bederwood, Everbearing.



MAR 2 1916

EVERGREENS

Evergreens add a beauty and attractiveness to a farm home which nothing else can do. They afford protection from cold winter winds and add value to a farm that is realized only by a few. Our evergreens are grown in rich, fertile soil under ideal conditions. We transplant them two to four times; this gives the tree a large, fibrous root system which produces a strong, healthy tree. We cultivate frequently and thoroughly, and manure heavily. The dust mulcher is used in dry seasons to preserve moisture.

For windbreak trees we recommend the White Pine, Norway Spruce and the Scotch Pine; for lawns and hedges, the Arbor Vitæ. The Balsam Fir is a fine tree for lawns and yards.

LIST OF STOCK

Apple Trees, 4 to 7 feet. Apple Trees, bearing size.

Blackberries, 1 and 2 years old.

Cherries, Plums, Grapes, Raspberries, Strawberries and Pie Plant.

Asparagus:

Conover's Colossal, two years old.

Columbian White, one year old.

Roses, Snowballs, Hydranges.

Gooseberries and Currants, extra large and medium size.

Evergreens:

White Pine, 1 to 4 feet.

Scotch Pine, 1 to 3 feet.

Norway Spruce, 1 to 4 feet.

Arbor Vitæ, 1 to 4 feet.

Street Trees;

Eln and Ash, 6 to 10 feet.

All kinds of trees for groves at very low prices.

Prices on request.

OUR SPECIALTIES

The Champlain's Early Raspberry is an exceptional value as a blackcap raspberry. The bush is thrifty, and so hardy that it stands Northern Iowa winters very well. Two patches in the Nursery have been fruiting for fifteen years and the growth is so good that the patch will be cropped at least one more season. The berry is very plump and juicy. It is free from seediness and the effects of a dry season. Two year old plants are raised with the best of care annually and are to be recommended for home planting.

The Crimson Beauty will win your favor as a Red Raspberry. You can depend on a quart of beautiful, large, red, juicy berries from each plant. The bearing season is quite long and the crop is not crowded into a couple of weeks as with many raspberries. The plants do not spread so rapidly but what they can easily be kept under control. Eat the Crimson Beauty once and you will always want the red berry that's as big as a thimble.

The Ever-bearing Strawberries have been carefully tried out by us and we can recommend them for home planting. The fruit is so good that you will say it beats the regular strawberry, and it is very fine to have good strawberries out of the usual season. A fine lot of plants will be ready for the spring trade.

The Vic's Early Potato is the best early potato we have ever found. It grows quickly, early or late, it is mealy even before ripe, and keeps well thro' the winter. We have a fine lot of large seed for the coming season which will be treated against scab.